(b) if so, whether exhibition of such pictures in Government offices, etc. is barred by Government instructions; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken by Government against those responsible for violating Government instructions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c) There are pictures of Hindu Gods and Goddess and Sikh Gurus in some of the wards in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital. However, these pictures have been hung by the patients in their hour of acute sufferings. So far as Central Government Hospitals are concerned, no instructions have been issued against the exhibition of religious pictures, keeping in view the religious sentiments of the patients and also secular status of the country.

Exclusion of psychotherapeutic drugs from price control

1347. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI. Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to the Unstarred Question 1543 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Health Ministry only recommended that Psychotherapeutic drugs may be considered for decontrol provided such a consideration fits into the overall criteria adopted by the Kelkar Committee;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Psychotherapeutic drugs do not fulfil any exclusion criteria as laid down by the Kelkar Committee;

(c) if so, on what basis these drugs were excluded from price control; and

(d) whether it is a fact that their exclusion from price control involved pay offs from Multinational companies who were helped in the process?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) The exclusion of psychotherapeutic drugs from price control is based on the recommendations made by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, details of which are discussed in the Supplementary Report of the Kelkar Committee, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Government has recently included a few psychotherapeutic drugs under price control.

Kelkar Committee recommendations on Small Scale Sector

1348. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 667 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that decisions of Government in respect of Small Scale Sector and keeping bulk vitamins except vitamin A and C are against the recommendations of Kelkar Committee;

(b) if so, what are the details of recommendations and what are the details of the decisions that have been taken; and

(c) what are the details of the recommendations of Kelkar Committee which have not been decided upon and implemented through internal instructions?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) The Government has taken an independent decision to exempt the small scale sector from price control for Category-II formulations under DPCO, 1987. Vitamin 'A' and 'C' have been put under price control by the Government on account of their importance and mass consumption nature. Further, Vitamin 'A' is required for eye-ailments and prevention of blindness.

(b) and (c) The Kelkar Committee's First report and the Supplementary report contained recommendations made by the

Committee, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Major recommendations have been accepted and implemented by the Government.

Use of BVO in soft drinks

1349. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Parle Exports have declared that BVO is not used in manufacture of Gold Spot, Limca, etc.

(b) if so, to what extent the declaration of Parle Exports is correct; and

(c) what further steps are contemplated by Government to check the use of BVO by soft drink manufacturers throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c) M|s. Parle Products|Parle Beverages have informed the Ministry of Food Processing Industries that BVO is not nsed in manufacture of Gold Spot and Limca.

The Ministry of Food Processing Industries has issued instructions to their regional offices to inspect the stocks in the factory and in the market and to draw samples for the purpose of ensuring that these are free from BVO.

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has also issued instructions to the States|U.Ts. to ensure that soft drinks marketed after 15-4-90 are free from BVO;

As per information made available by Delhi Administration, 2 samples of Gold Spot and one sample of Limca manufactured by two bottling companies in Delhi have been found to contain BVO.

SITUATION ARISING OUT OF MURDER OF AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE IN MEHAM

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): Mr. Chairman, Sir, what has happened in Meham and what has come to be learnt thereafter, is a total disgrace to democracy in this country. From the way things are going on, it is a case of chaos, double-standards, leading to in a situation where democracy cannot work in Haryana, in any form. Even the Central Government, whose constituent is ruling Haryana, is helplessly watching the situation and indirectly abetting what has been happening Haryana. Sir, to go into the facts a little, which have come out on the basis of our party members having gone there to Meham and finding out the facts,.... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I am on a point of order. Is he moving any resolution or is he just making a submission? (*Interruptions*).

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: I have already moved the resolution. (*Interruptions*). I am not moving any formal resolution. I am going to say what I have to say. (*Interruptions*).

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : आपने पहले कहा था कि वहां की गवर्नमेंट डिसमिस की जाए, इसको मूव करना चाहते हैं. (व्यवधान)

SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER: I am explaining the purpose for which I sought suspension of the Question Hour. And I am doing so under the permission of the Chairman. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA (Bihar): I want to know whether there is any motion which you are moving again because this motion has already been carried and the Question Hour stands suspended. What next are we taking up? The Chair should tell us what next we are taking up. (*Interruptions*).